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Daniel F. Caruso, Chairman Connecticut Siting Council 10 Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

Re: **DOCKET NT-2010** – Reopening of final decisions pursuant to C.G.S. §4-181a(b) for jurisdictional natural gas-fired electric generating facilities under C.G.S. §16-50i(a)(3) and C.G.S. §16-50k(a) limited to Council consideration of changed conditions and the attachment of conditions to the certificates and declaratory rulings consistent with the findings and recommendations in the Final Report issued by the Kleen Energy Plant Investigation Review Panel (Nevas Commission) and the findings and recommendations in the Executive Report issued by the Thomas Commission.

## Dear Chairman Caruso:

This letter is in response to the Connecticut Siting Council's ("Council") notice of hearing in its Docket NT-2010. The purpose of the hearing is limited to considering the addition of conditions to petitions and declaratory rulings that approved gas-fired electric generating facilities, consistent with the recommendations of the Final Report of the Kleen Energy Plant Investigation Review Panel and the findings and recommendations of the Thomas Commission.

The Connecticut Light and Power Co. ("CL&P") and other subsidiaries of Northeast Utilities ("NU") have appeared as an intervenor or party in several of the dockets and petitions that the Council has re-opened, but NU subsidiaries appeared as the Petitioner in only two of the re-opened petitions and another NU subsidiary appeared as agent for the State of Connecticut in a third of the re-opened petitions.

Those three re-opened petitions are:

**PETITION NO. 352** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company petition that no Certificate is required for the emergency installation of four gas turbine generating units at Devon Station, in Milford. Approved 6/30/97.

**PETITION NO. 619E** - Select Energy Services, Inc. petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required is required for the construction, operation and maintenance of a fuel cell to be located at St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center, 114 Woodland Street, Hartford, Connecticut. Approved 05/06/03.

**PETITION NO. 482** - HEC, Inc., acting as agent for the State of Connecticut, petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for fuel cells and emergency generating devices to be developed at the Connecticut Juvenile Training School in Middletown, Connecticut. Approved 9/19/00.

Neither NU nor any NU subsidiary company now holds any interest in the generating units that were the subject of those proceedings.

Petition 352 was submitted by CL&P to site four gas turbines at Devon Station. However, CL&P divested its ownership in those units and all its generating facilities over ten years ago pursuant to Public Act 98-28, the act that restructured Connecticut's electric energy industry.

In Petition 619E, Select Energy Services, Inc. (Select Energy) petitioned the Council on behalf of St Francis Hospital for a 200-kW fuel cell that the hospital planned to install. Neither Select Energy nor any other subsidiary of NU ever held any interest in that generating unit.

HEC, Inc. was retained by the developer or the state to assist in petitioning for approval of the proposed generating facilities at the Connecticut Juvenile Training School Energy Center (Petition 482). However, neither HEC, Inc., nor any other NU subsidiary ever held an interest in those generating facilities.

Because NU and the NU subsidiary companies have no present interest in any of the above-referenced generating facilities or any of the facilities that are subject to the reopened proceedings, the NU system companies are not able to respond to the Council's interrogatories or participate further in this Docket.

Enclosed are an original and fifteen (15) copies. If you have any questions, please contact John Morissette at 860-665-2036.

Very truly yours,

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Manager

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